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RECALL OF HIGH SCHOOL BOARD PROPOSED

WILSON STILL OUT

By the same 3 to 2 vote, the Nevada Union High School District Board of Trustees Monday night reaffirmed its decision of last month not to renew the contract of Superintendent William Wilson.

The crowd of nearly 150 persons that attended the meeting to protest the board action of last month left the gymnasium meeting site immediately following the board action.

A large portion of the crowd met in in another room of the high school and laid plans for a recall of the board, or at least of those three that voted against rehiring Wilson.

Twenty petitions calling for the rehiring of Wilson at the end of this school year were presented to the board. A total of more than 920 signatures was claimed on the sheets. Another 140 phone calls was claimed.

Organization of the Nevada Union High School District Recall Committee was announced yesterday by G.W.Bell, publicity chairman.

Chairman of the committee is Leon Sanford.

A meeting at the high school has been set for 8 p.m. Monday, with an invitation extended to all interested persons.

At the meeting a coordinator of committees will be named.

Committees will include publicity, organization, legal matters, nominations of candidates, and finances.

Repeated attempts from the audience to get board members to give publicly the reasons they had for firing Wilson at the end of this year's school term were to no avail.

Board President Albert Casey and members Jack Brickell and Robert Paine each gave their reasons to Wilson personally since the December meeting, and each refused to go further into the affair.

Casey stated, "There aren't any charges against Mr. Wilson."

He explained each of the three members who voted against rehiring Wilson did so because of the way they feel toward the administrator and the job he is doing.

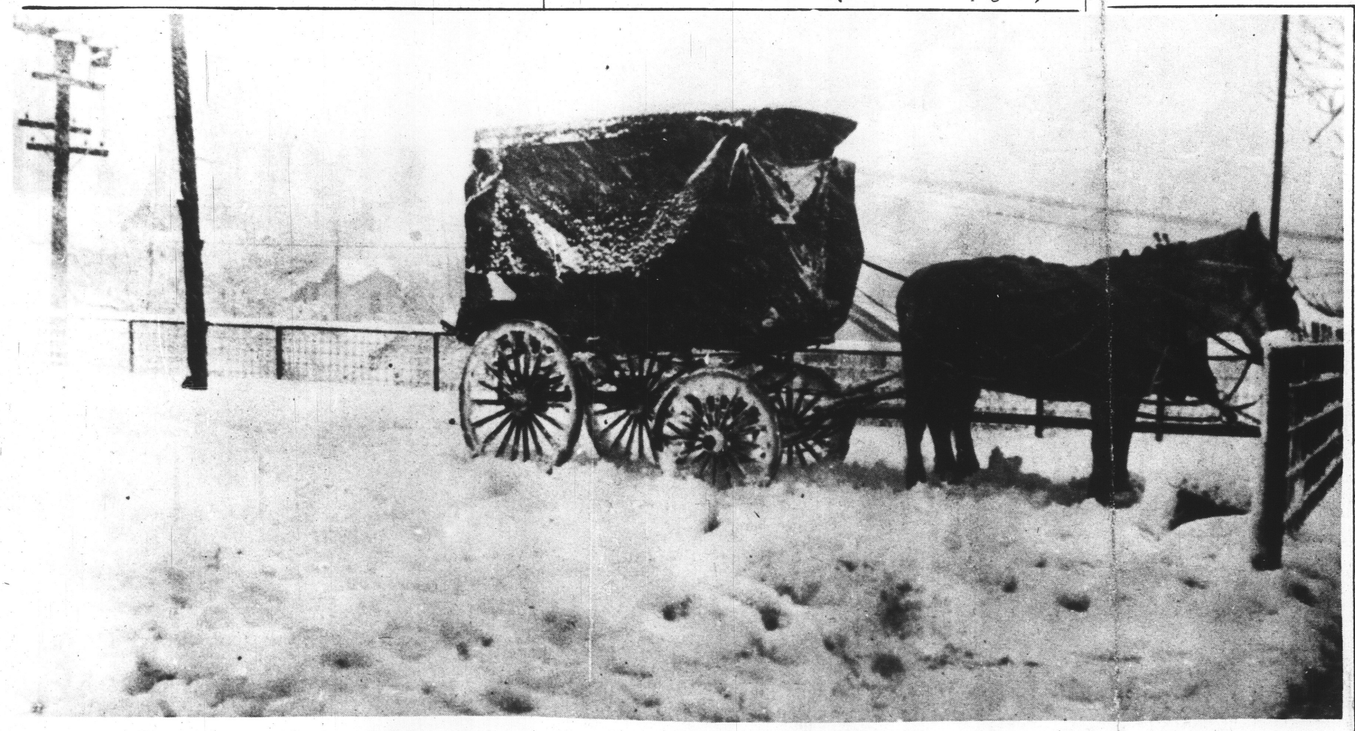
A "list of seven reasons" was "answered" by the citizen group that attended meeting. The list was a recapitulation of reasons which were given to Wilson by Casey for his negative vote.

Wilson was controversial because of his activities in forming the union district, the junior high school, and in bond and tax elections. Some merchants were dissatisfied with purchasing procedure. Board members opinions on the quality of administration were divided. Wilson could be a negative factor in future bond elections. Rural complaints about the

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Racers line up for start of speed event in one of the early Sierra races held in Plumas County.



Think it was cold this week? Consider the plight of this Wells Fargo express wagon team of the late 1880's, pictured waiting in a snowstorm for the arrival of the narrow gauge railroad in Grass Valley. (One of a series which will appear every week in The Citizen, "The Paper With The Pictures.")

In compiling this feature, The Citizen is indebted to Doyle Thomas for generously allowing the use of his collection of nearly 7000 photographs. The above photo, as well as many others to follow, is from the Thomas collection. A lover of county history, Thomas stated the collection will someday be donated to the Historical Society in order to form a graphic history of Nevada County. The variety of the collection is unique and photographs to follow will be of great interest not only to newcomers, but to those older citizens who can again relive memories of the golden past of this Sierra Foothill area.

Flames Flaunt Fire Chief

When Tom Berry became fire chief of Grass Valley, everyone agreed he had a big job ahead trying to live up to the unusual record of only $4,944 fire loss in 1959.

Everyone now agrees the first week shouldn't be held against him.

Fire loss stands at an estimated $7,500 so far in 1960.

But to make matters worse, the big loss to date in 1960 was the home of Berry's mother, Mrs. May Bennett at 307 Bennett street.

Mrs. Bennett's home was a total loss Sunday night. Very little furnishings were saved.

Cause of the blaze was thought to be a wood stove chimney. The fire was well out of control in the upper floor when discovered by Mrs. Bennett.

Obviously lost by the time the alarm was turned in, the Grass Valley firemen fought an uphill but successful battle to save two homes adjacent to the Bennett home.

Both of these homes were reportedly smoking from the heat when firemen arrived. In addition, flaming shingles fragments were carried over the nearby area by the intense heat of the fire.

SNOWSHOE THOMPSON AND THE BIRTH OF SKIING AS A SPORT

BY
STANLEY H. HALLS

The Birth Of Skiing

NOTE: This is the first installment of an illustrated feature which will appear in the Citizen through Olympic Games week.

When the ski champions of the world gather at Squaw Valley in February to compete for honors in the VIIIth Winter Olympic Games, they will be bringing the sport back to its birthplace - the slopes of the California Sierras.

The first organized ski races in the world were held at La Porte, Plumas County, California, not far removed from the Olympic Games site, in the year 1867. These races were staged under the auspices of the Alturas Snowshoe Club which was founded that same year by a Skowhegan, Maine Yankee by the name of Isaac Steward - the man who has been sometimes credited with the title of the the father of American skiing. Even prior to this, although the exact date cannot be authenticated, there is reason to believe that tournaments or competitive ski events were held in and around the mining camps of Onion Valley, near La Porte, as early perhaps as 1854.

Among these robust pioneers to be singularly honored by the coming games will be John A. (Snowshoe) Thompson, whose skiing feats in the windswept Sierras in the '50's and '60's earned for him a unique position among the west's legendary heroes.

The prowess of this Norwegian immigrant on a pair of 25-pound home-made skis, in providing the only regular and dependable winter communication between California and Nevada mining camps, for a dozen years or more in the mid-1800's, so awed the miners of the territory that he was perhaps the greatest single influence in encouraging scores of them to take up skiing for the sheer joy of the sport. The impetus that he gave to skiing through his personal accomplishments has carried his name down the years until now, stimulated by the nearing Olympic Games, the California Legislature, has declared it fitting that the Squaw Valley site of the VIIIth Winter Games should properly be named the "Snowshoe Thompson Park."

Now this odd bit of historical fact - that skiing as a sport was cradled in California - may well be contested, for it has generally

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EDITORIAL'

The Year Of The Big Silence

Here we are, rocketing into the '60's. It is leap year. It is the year when some 30-year-olds, born in 1929, can bridge the gap between the ignorance of youth and the vast wisdom of middle age by claiming they have lived in five decades of the twentieth century.

It is Nevada's centennial year, and the year before the year when we "celebrate" the centennial of the first battles of the Civil War.

And most important of all, it is the year in which we studiously ignore the mounting problems that will face our country in the new decade domestically and abroad---for it is election year.

Anyone who speaks to the issues this year is an "eight-ball," as they say in the army---a misfit, an incompetent, a trouble-maker.

The Republicans have threatened to campaign under the slogan, "Peace and Prosperity with Freedom and Justice." Any schoolchild could tell us more about the issues before us by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The Vice President who seems to be destined for the Republican candidacy, has confined his public utterances of late to words of praise for the President and for Governor Rockefeller, whom he has muzzled effectively. The only strong voice coming from the Republican camp is the President's---containing the usual string of vacant platitudes.

And whatever happened to "Progress"? Last time around the Republicans promised us "Peace, Prosperity, and Progress." Presumably this year they feel that we have either made no progress and there is no use bringing up the subject, or made so much progress that there is no further progress to be made. Either way, they should tell us. It is not fair to drop a burning issue like "Progress" and not explain why.

On their part, the Democrats seem to be basing their appeal for the leadership of the most powerful nation in the history of this planet on an old broken-record refrain: "Nixon can't win. "To be sure, there is an enlightening variation of this refrain: "Nixon is a bum."

But on issues the Democrats are, as usual, either divided or silent. It is the silence that bothers us. The one steady voice emanating from the Democratic sanctum is that of the Democratic Advisory Council. But the Southerners do not support it. As for the candidates---they all speak out in ringing tones but studioulsy avoid the issue---all, that is, except Senator Hubert Humphrey; and for speaking to the problems of the nation he is branded as "too talkative" and considered an unlikely nominee.

Well, it is still early in the year. We can still hope that by convention time a few more of the politicians will address themselves to the fate of the nation---as well as to cranberries and the TV payola.

Letters To The Editor

EDITOR:

Please find enclosed our check for current subscription to The Citizen. Depot Hill likes it.

Donna Milhous is doing a good job with the news of our city neighbor, North San Juan.

Virgil Boyt, superintendent for Nevada City Gold Mining Company at Depot Hill, if his writing arm was properly twisted, also might do a good job for Depot Hill, Oak Valley and Camptonville?

You know that Gold is not attentive to mere county boundaries.

Cordially yours,
Joseph G. Brown

Insect Pest

Is Wiped Out

Hall scale, a tiny but destructive stonefruit and nut insect pest, can be considered wiped out of California and the nation unless inspections turn up live insects during the next year.

Robert W. Harper, chief of the bureau of entomology, Department of Agriculture, reported no Hall scale has been found in the State since 1956. Pest control officials have worked since 1941 to rid the State of the pest which, if not checked, could become a serious threat to California's $150 million annual deciduous fruit crop.



Mrs. John Andreazzi
A Newcomer's Citizen

THE CITIZEN OF THE WEEK

A "citizen of the year" to the 150 members of the Newcomers' Club, Mrs. John (Ferne) Andreazzi of Butler Road in Grass Valley couldn't believe The Citizen wanted her picture.

"Why me," asked the president of the club that makes moving into this area a pleasure instead of a chore.

During the conversation she answered her own question.

"The Newcomers only project is to get acquainted," she said.

The group avoids all other community pleas for activity so that it will not become embroiled in controversial affairs or activities that demand time from new residents who need the time to become "acquainted" neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Andreazzi were newcomers from the Oakland area when she joined the group a few years back. Their daughter, Alice, Mrs. George Douglass of Town Talk, had moved here previously.

By visits to the area, the Andreazzi family found Grass Valley to their liking.

Mrs. Andreazzi found the Newcomers Club idea to her liking.

Divided into two groups, under the headings of Garden and Social, the club has several sub-groups to give variety to the membership.

Anyone joining the Newcomers is entitled for their one dollar membership fee to attend any or all meetings. There are two general meetings of the group---Spring and Fall. An annual Christmas Party is another general meeting.

In addition, the Garden and Social sections hold monthly meetings.

Eligibility now is limited to those residents who have been in the community less than 3 years, Mrs. Andreazzi said. Some time limit had to be established in order to keep the club's size within bounds.

Of the membership, about 100 are active members, she said, attending most of the meetings.

The club's president spoke with warmth about the groups plans and prospects.

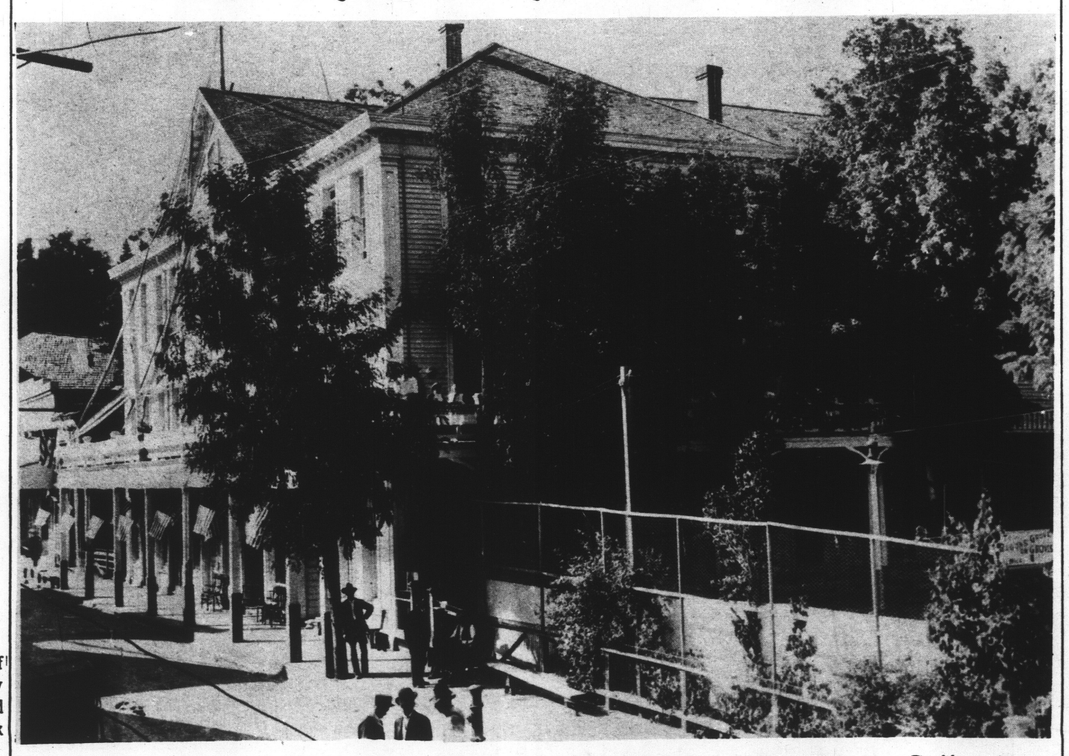
The invitation she extended to new residents to join the club was a product of that warmth.

"If it had not been for the Newcomers Club, I think I would still have been stranded out here (at the end of Butler Road)," she said.

With snow still covering grass in the shade of her home this alternative sounded cold, indeed.

But from the constant "busy" signal of her phone during the past few weeks, it is obvious Mrs. Andreazzi is more than just a Citizen of THIS Week.

THE PAST IN PICTURES



From the Doyle Thomas Collection.

The flag-bedecked Union Hotel in Nevada City, awaiting a 4th of July celebration well before the turn of the century. Outdoor dance platform was located behind screen. Ott's Assay Office is just out of picture at far left. ("The Past in Pictures" will appear in The Citizen every week from now on.)

SIERRA BYWAYS

BY DEAN THOMPSON

At the recent dinner party of the Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital at the Gold Center Club:

One of the guests approached Forrest Hills, brother-in-law of the club's owner, Willard Smith, and said, "I know you, don't I?"

Turned out he knew Clifford Hills, brother of Forrest. But the two Hills Brothers (pun they are used to by now) have quite a family resemblance, hence the mistake.

Forrest Hills, visiting the Smiths during the holiday week, explained he and his brother are distantly related to the coffee Hills Brothers---get a kick out of the kidding they receive.

But confusion of names only begins with coffee pun.

Clifford Hills lives in Foresthill, Placer County, south of Auburn. Forrest Hills is a Sacramento real estate man.

Recently while visiting his brother in Foresthills, Forrest Hills prepared to place a long distance phone call. The operator took the information about the call's destination.

Then she asked, "Your name and number, please?"

"Forrest Hills, 1234," he replied.

"No, sir, I want your name."

"Forrest Hills."

"Sir, I know this is Foresthill. What is your name?"

"My name is Forrest Hills. I'm Cliff Hills' brother."

"Ho!"

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Take it from Nevada City Star Router Sam Bidwell.

"We've got three seasons here---snow, mud and dust. And that was the longest season of dust I've ever seen."

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Hal Almquist at the Victorian Room of the National Hotel hasn't stopped fixing up his atmospheric dining room.

He's now putting the finishing touches on a "wine-tasting" room to the rear of the dining room.

"Soon our customers will be able to taste the wine before deciding what to order," he told us recently.

Hal believes the folks who visit this area are more interested in the atmosphere than in the sparkling new modern places.

He has carried his theme out by creating an atmosphere of the old gold days here, but has the place sparkling clean, too.

Rumors he was to take over the National Bar, next to the Victorian Room, are not true. Had been a possibility, but other avenues of expansion appear more attractive---if and when Hal gets the Victorian Room exactly as he wants it (including carpeting throughout.)

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Nevada City and Grass Valley had a 50 per cent increase in scheduled bus traffic the day before Christmas. The evening arrival came in two sections, passengers being too numerous for one bus.

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Leonard Prisk, a recent "Citizen", cannot lay claim to being the only member of the Hooper-Weaver firm to receive a Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service award.

Shirley Brattin, one of the owners, also was named Outstanding Young Man by the group a few years back.

But there aren't many in town that can claim they were born "right across the street" from the Lola Montez house---Prisk can.

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Social News

Margaret Abrahamson Society Editor

California Walnut Maple Loaf Is Flavorful



Help yourself to a slice of California Walnut Maple Loaf and spread it with orange butter. It's perfect for coffee-hour snacking or to serve for a special occasion coffee time. The loaf is rich with crunchy, fresh tasting California walnuts, moist with dates and reminiscent of New England with its maple flavoring. Serve this delicious walnut maple loaf with salads, with cheese for snacking, as tea refreshments, or for a lunch box treat. To make it pretty for fancy company serving, garnish with slices of orange and top each slice with a big, golden California walnut half.

CALIFORNIA WALNUT MAPLE LOAF

- ¾ cup shortening
- 1 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon maple flavoring
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind
- 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ cup milk
- 1½ cups chopped dates
- 1 cup chopped California walnuts

Cream shortening and sugars thoroughly. Add eggs, maple flavoring and orange peel; continue creaming until light and fluffy. Resift flour with salt, soda and baking powder. Add to creamed mixture alternately with milk. Stir in dates and walnuts. Turn into greased and floured 9 x 5 x 3-inch loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees about one hour or until set. Makes one loaf.

Orange Butter: Cut a medium-sized orange in half. Remove seeds but do not peel. Put through food chopper, whir on blender, or chop up fine. Add to ½ pound softened butter. Whip with electric mixer until fluffy.

Two New Kitchens Featured At New Delhi Fair

The two kitchens which will be among the features of the U.S. Exhibit at the World Agriculture Fair which opened last week at New Delhi, India, are expected to draw heavy crowds, states Mrs. Frances Head, Home Advisor, University of California, Agricultural Extension Service.

One is designed to show a typical U.S. home kitchen with modern home appliances. Here an Extension home demonstration agent and three 4-H Club girls will show how meals are prepared in American homes. Because information on food preservation has been requested, special demonstrations of home canning are scheduled using local foods. Both pressure and water-bath canning will be demonstrated.

The other kitchen will have more space for displays of U.S. food products, especially those that include wheat. A variety of convenience foods, including many cake and biscuit mixes and dairy products, will show the importance of ready-packaged foods in modern living. A wheat products demonstration area is planned to show the wide variety of wheat products used in American meals.

India is the fifth largest importer of wheat in the world. Most wheat foods eaten there are unleavened. The most common item is the chappattie, a pancake made by mixing coarsely ground whole wheat and water and cooking on a metal sheet over an open fire. The exhibit will show commercial methods of bread-baking as done in the U.S. and also manufacture of macaroni and noodles and various cooked dishes using these products.

Two Hawaiian cities, Honolulu, the capital, and Hilo, are farther south than Key West, Florida, formerly the southernmost city in the United States.

Asparagus is a perennial plant with a fleshy and succulent root composed of round knobs united into a kind of tuber.

Calls

If you had:

A party...a baby ...a wedding,

Went vacationing...or sledding,

Caught a plane...or the flu,

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Shot a deer...caught a dear;

All of This we want to hear.

Don't keep it to yourself alone,

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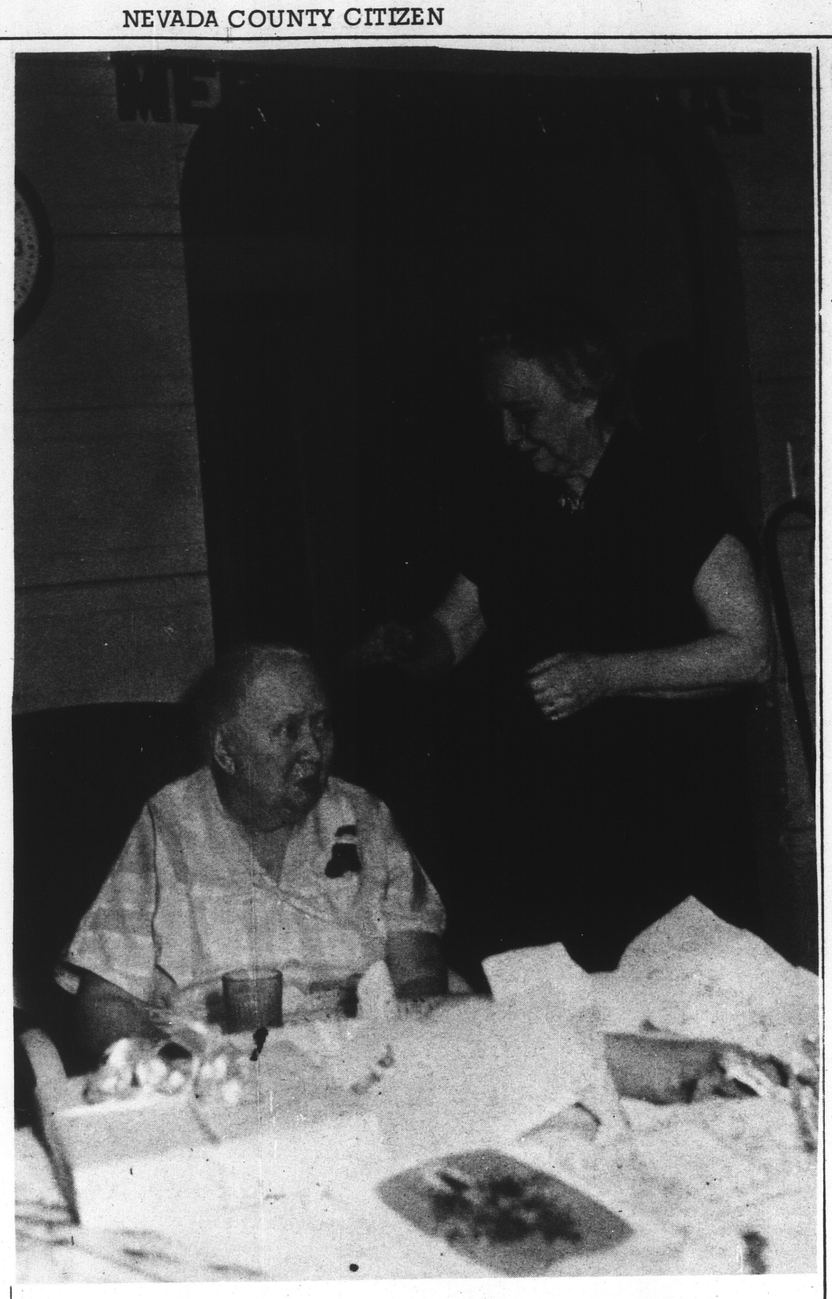
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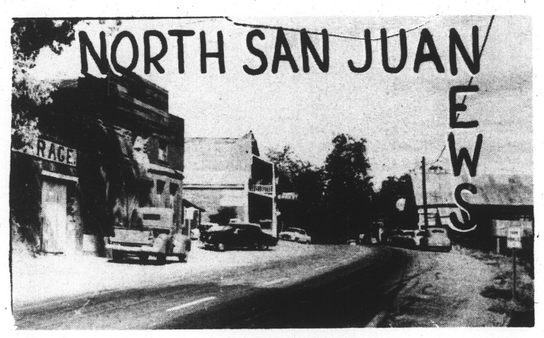


Marlene Dietrich leaves New York for Paris
Miss Dietrich will begin the taping of a television spectacular on Paris.



The 21st day of December was celebrated by Mrs. Joseph Giles and was a big event inasmuch as it was her 93rd birthday. Mrs. Arthur Kendall, a daughter of Grass Valley, surprised her mother with a party at the Mountain View Rest Home when all of the residents gathered for a birthday cake and ice cream party to honor Mrs. Giles.

Mrs. Giles has had twelve children, 11 of which are living. Mrs. Giles, with 24 grandchildren and 44 great grandchildren, was born in St. Austell England, and came to the United States about 73 years ago ...and has lived in Grass Valley about two years and a half.



By DONNA MILHOUS

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Well here we are at the start of 1960, time again for resolutions. Some of the ones I've made in the past, I'll no doubt make this year.

Like giving up smoking. Conditions are ideal for this project right now and try as I may, I can't think of any gala social events or emotional crisis that would be apt to throw me for at least three weeks.

I have a beautiful cold, I even have some pills left over from my last unsuccessful attempt. Now, there it is in writing.

I'd appreciate hearing from others who plan on embarking on a new year void of tars and nicotine, and maybe we can help each other.

Well, all in all, 1959 was a wonderful year for me and my family, so much so that I hate to relinquish it. I never have felt like celebrating the loss of the old year and bringing in a new one.

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We had a wonderful Christmas. My parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Archer, and my brother, Alan, arrived from Lindsay about 2:30 a. m. Christmas morning. We spent about an hour arranging toys and presents, and talking, and went to bed.

At 4:30 a. m. as near as we can figure, the kids got up and after much pleading, promises of coffee and stuff we finally were persuaded to leave the warmth of bed.

I thought at the time that it was little dark for 6:30.

OH well, why waste precious time sleeping.? Saturday after, friend and one time resident Barbara Kehn arrived from San Fernando and more friends, Pete and Chris De Weber drove up from Sacramento to spend the day. Saturday night a party was held at our home and more friends, Juanita and Pat Patterson and children Cheryl and Mark joined us.

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Christmas held some pleasant surprises for Ed and Florence Dulaney. An unexpected visit was paid them by Florence's sister and family, Marge and Archie Brookhouser and their children, Judy, Gary, and Johnny. All are from Oakland.

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Edie and Roy Bradshaw and their young son, Johnny, spent the holidays in Sacramento with relatives. Babe Pignali Edies brother also went to Sacramento, and Fern and Roy Haugland spent the holidays at the Bradshaw home to listen for the Fire phone.

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Doani's son, Ernie Miller his wife, Dee Dee, and daughter, Tami, were up from Pomona to be with Frank and Doanie Addleman. Carol and Grant Varner were up from San Rafael. Doanie expects to get a phone call momentarilly announcing the arrival of a grandchild and is ready for a quick trip to San Rafael when the good news comes.

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The Earl Brown family spent a quiet Christmas at home, surrounded by their five children and granddaughter.

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Pat and Juanita Patterson and children, Cheryl, Danny and Mark spent Christmas in Sacramento with an Aunt Mrs. Waddell. Danny is still visiting.

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Christmas morn was saddened for the Welker family by the discovery that the children's dog had died during the night.

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Oliver and Frances Milhous and family returned from their trip to Southern California with old friends, the John Clark family from Tulare County. John spent a summer here, falling timber a few years back.

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Tragedy also took its toll over the holidays and some that won't be with us in 1960 are Mrs. Walter Beaton, Joe and Mary Roderique who were killed in a horrible wreck with a train on Christmas Eve; George Halsted, who has a heart attack at his ranch in North San Juan.

Potpourri by maqqi

THE NEW YEAR IS HERE...and that is about all we are going to say about that because everyone else has done and said everything there is to be said with the the exception...HOW DOES EVERYONE REMEMBER THAT THE YEAR NOW IS 60... All the checks letters and sale slips are bound to be scratched on for awhile when we make the transition...and we are no exceptions..except our expiration dates now go to 61, and we figger we will take about two weeks to get that straightened out to 1961...the joy of a new year.

We did get our snow...if that is what you want to call those few flakes that fell...but at least we know that Mother Goose still has a few feathers left...

We may say that our weather leaves something to be desired but have you been to Sacramento lately...well the fog, smog, and dirty greasy rain will sure make you change your mind if you think we have troubles...

OUR GIRL Bucky went on a trek to the southland, and believe it or not...we never knew we could miss an artist so much...but she showed up bright and cheerful last week...and everything is back to normal.

We are not thinking too well...the mind is in a rut...We did hear that Emmett Gallegher was in the hospital... overwork and general fatigue proved almost too much for him...

IF THERE ARE ANY orchids laying about this week...we haven't seen nor heard of them...but we are sure that lots of nice things for other nice people...etc.

Perhaps you have noticed that we have gone back to the Editorial We...rather than I...well frankly...between the two, we...I...haven't made up our collective minds which is preferrable...we is for the lesser paid I...for the highly paid and the lowly ignorant...or something of the sort...now, when we (I) make up our collective minds...and come to happy medium...perhaps we will because us...there will be a decision made in OUR mind...decisions, Decisions... DECISIONS...

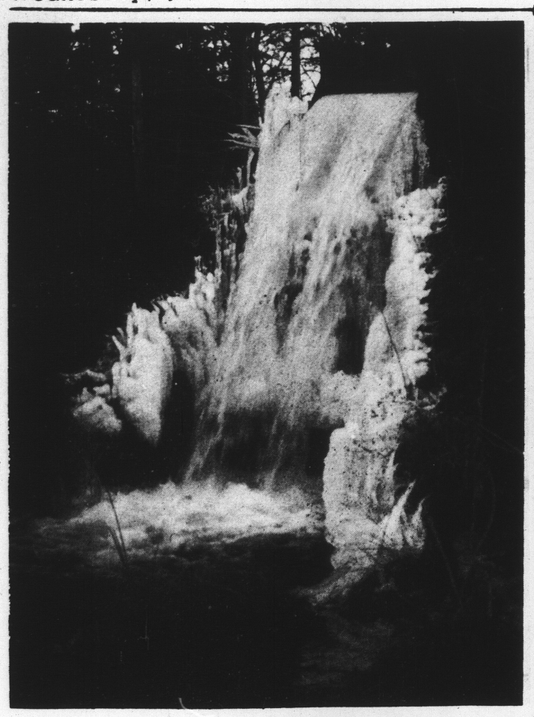
Since this is our (my...) day off... the column is short with nothing much to say... (Oops...there went another resolution). But anyway, who can have much to say after what we (I) have been through.

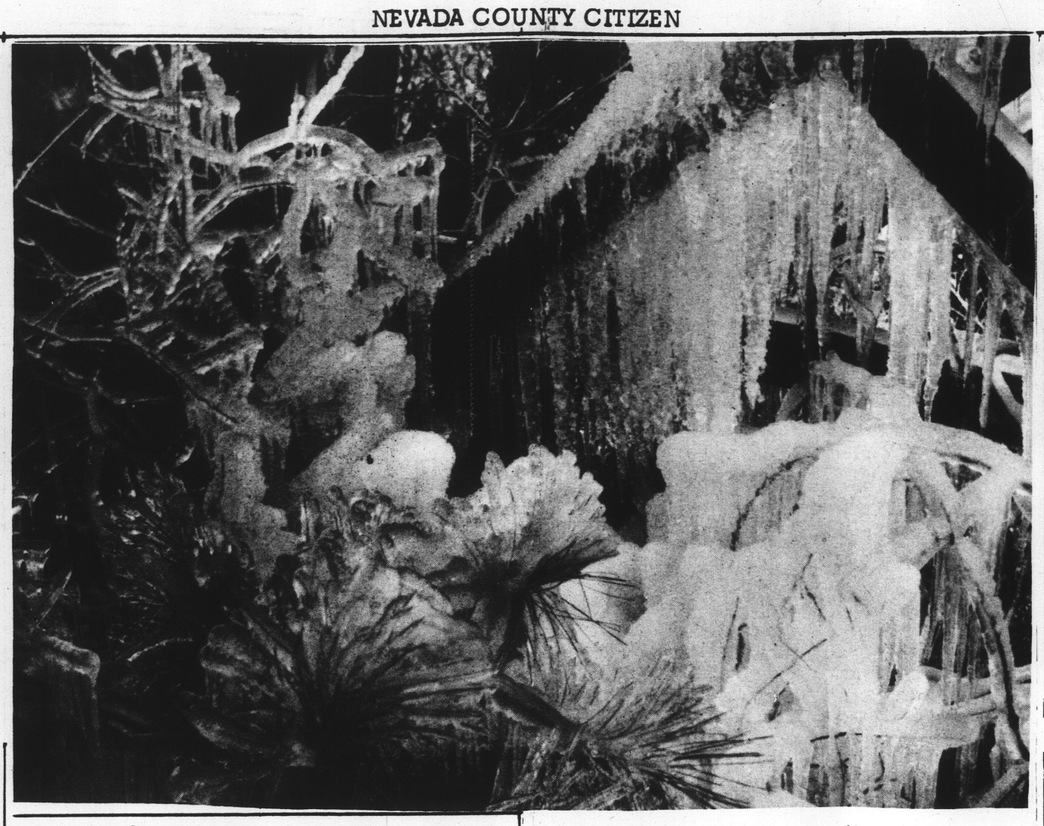
WHO'S NEW IN WHO'S WHO...At Jones Memorial Hospital, Dec. 29, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Arthur of Grass Valley a daughter, Janice Ann.

At Miners Hospital, Dec. 30, born to Mr. and Mrs. William Kistler of Nevada City a daughter, Billie June, five pounds and one ounce.

Trust that everything is well with you ....(all of you, or possibly...you all..)

Until next week when we (of course it's I) find something that is more worthwhile ...and most of all...when we (can't you see two of us going down the street together...arm in arm...head in head... and our backs to the wind) get a chance to mingle with the living again...there will be something to say that can interest us all...we all...you all...and ME too. Bye now!









Cold Problems Hit Area

Broken water lines plagued residents of Nevada City and Grass Valley during the past week with temperatures dropping to below normal teen readings.

Unofficial low for the week was reported in the Nevada City plaza where a reading of eight degrees was made early Saturday morning.

Fuel oil firms were busy Saturday morning.

Board Action Repeated

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administrative ability of the superintendent. Too much of the superintendent's time is spent in the office.

These were six of the reasons given by the citizens as having come from Casey. The board president disclaimed a seventh, which involved activity of the superintendent at the time of the formation of the junior high school.

The citizens representing Wilson answered each of the "reasons" and laid most of any blame they felt was due at the feet of the school board as coming in "areas in which there are no policies."

One member of the audience stated he felt the action was the result of a personal grudge.

Casey inferred the remark bordered on being out of order.

Another in the audience countered, "What about the school board's remarks being out of order." She drew applause.

Casey, in the discussion, said, "I think Mr. Wilson has great capabilities that can be of use to this district."

His inference that another job within the district might be in line for Wilson if he chose to take it was added to by a remark of board member Robert Paine.

Paine explained his vote by saying, "This is one of the decisions we are called upon to make as board members."

He went on to say that the board has given a great deal of thought to Mr. Wilson and his future "in this district," and deplored any display by the public at this time because he felt it could undermine what the board had in mind.

The audience stirred and booed at this point.

The question was asked, "How is he going to get justice without a public display?"

The audience applauded.

The vote of the board came on a motion by Weston Brunker to notify Wilson that he would be rehired next year. Harold George, Sr., seconded the motion. Both drew applause.

A poll of the board was requested after an obviously tied vocal vote.

Brickell, Casey and Paine all voted against the move to rehire Wilson.

All but ten of the audience left the meeting, and after a five minute recess the board continued with its regular agenda.

ICY CHILL.... of the past week brought with it some unusual and pretty winter scenes throughout the area. Pictures above and those to the left are photos of a flume along Snow Mountain Ditch on the Blue Tent Road. To the right are photos of a waterfall from the reservoir on Sugar Loaf.

Photos by Mrs. Lillian Mott



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Snowshoe Thompson

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been assumed that skiing for sport originated in Norway.

Most of the literature and historical commentary on the history of skiing gives credit to Kristiana (Oslo) Norway as the locale of the world's first organized ski meet - a meet which was held there in the year 1879. In that year skiers from Kristiana and Telemark gathered at Huesby Hill in Kristiana for "racing." In 1877, two years before this first acknowledge European contest, ski enthusiasts of Kristiana brought into being the Kristiana Ski Club, the club that is credited by many authorities to have been the first in the history of the sport.

Were the first sponsored and organized ski races actually held in Norway or can California claim the honor? Well, if the first Norwegian meet was not held prior to 1879, then the weight of recorded evidence would seem to show that skiing contests, complete with rules, starters, timers, judges and prizes, were conducted in the California Sierras at least 10 years before the first European meet.

If the historians have erred, however, in proclaiming Kristiana as the site of the first sponsored races, it can certainly be said that the error has been on the side of logic. For what, indeed, could be more logical approach to any history of the sport than to assume that ski racing should have been cradled in the snow countries of Europe where the art of travelling over the deep snows was centuries old even before the first white man had set foot on the American continent?

Ethnological researchers, digging in the bogs of Norway, Sweden and Finland have found skis which may date back 4,000 or more years. Also, an ancient European stone carving, showing a man on skis, discovered in the Norwegian Nordlands in the 1930's convincing evidence that skis of a sort may have served a utilitarian need of the Nordic races long before men had even learned to write.

There are, indeed, whole libraries of evidence and artifacts in great number to show that skis were necessary working tools of the very earliest peoples of the snow country.

Early generations of Northern Europeans used skis for hunting and in the running of the trap lines. They used skis for transporting supplies. They used skis for distant travel and for visiting their nearest neighbor, and later generations of these Nordic peoples have marched entire armies on skis. Skiing has been something more than just a fun game for these people - it has been a way of life.

Realizing, then, the vast history of skiing that Norway Sweden and Finland have developed, what could be more logical than to assume that skiing as a sport should have also been developed in these same Nordic countries?

But logic and fact sometimes run widely divergent courses, and, in the history of the sport of skiing, this appears to be the simple case.

Next Week - The Sport of "Snowshoeing" is Born.

Watson Rites Held

Erwin Gustave Watson, 74, died Sunday of a heart ailment in French Corral.

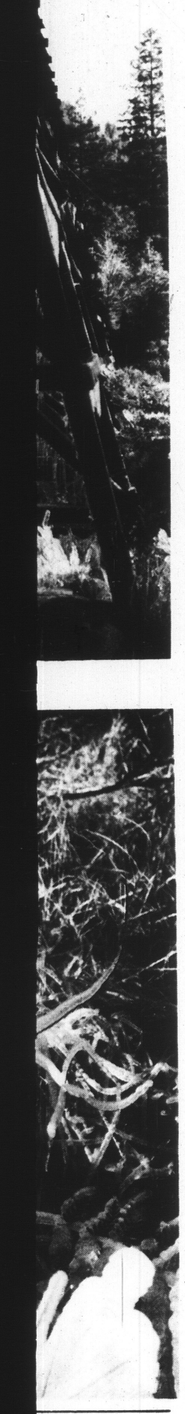
A resident of Downieville for 12 years, Watson spent the final ten months of his life in French Corral.

Services were held yesterday at Bergemann Chapel in Nevada City, with Rev. Robert W. Findley of the Nevada City Methodist Church giving the rites.

Watson is survived by his wife, Fannie, French Corral.

Burial was in Pinegrove Cemetery, Nevada City.





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BURNED OUT...Fire got a head start on firemen Monday and in little more than an hour this home of Bert Lovall on Boulder Street in Nevada City was a total loss. Firemen from Nevada City and the 49er Fire Department were able to save a home within 20 feet of the flaming structure and were successful in stopping the blaze before the home completely "burned to the ground." Loss, however, was judged to be "total" by the fire department. An estimate of loss has not yet been made.

Bar Drinks Ease Up In Price

The price of some bar drinks will increase from five to ten cents Friday in Nevada City.

As a result of increased costs of operation, the Nevada City Tavern Owners' Association announced that martinis, manhattans, and imported scotch and bourbon will cost 60 cents per drink in Nevada City.

It is understood that Grass Valley tavern owners are also considering such an increase.

Bottled and draft beer will increase a nickle to 35 cents per drink, in the only other price change.

Spokesmen for the association pointed out that bar liquor, including a domestic scotch, will not increase in price. Only the call brands will be effected by the increase.

The group cited the one-year-old sales tax increase, a welfare plan which recently went into effect, increased wages in recent years and higher overhead costs too numerous to list.

All of these added costs made the price increase necessary, association spokesmen said.

They also pointed out that the local area has been under prices in nearby metropolitan taverns.











New Dam Facilities Are Told

Expansion of recreational facilities at Engelbright Dam will be completed for use this year, it was announced this week.

Private facilities operated by T. N. Fisher of Grass Valley will open April 15, with docking available for about 100 private boats. Rental boats will also be available.

Facilities at the dam and reservoir near Smartville off Highway 20 are also maintained by the Army Corps of Engineers.

These include a rest room, picnic and swimming areas, and a ramp for boat launching. Use of these facilities is free.

The lake, most commonly called Narrows Dam, has been in use by water skiers and fishermen. It abounds in bass. Below the reservoir trout have also been found.

Access to the dam is over two dirt roads leading off a county road connection with Highway 20. The first dirt road leads to the Armv Corps of Engineers landing.

The Fisher facilities are situated on both private and government land. It is being operated on a five year lease with renewal option.

The average American uses about six pounds of salt annually.

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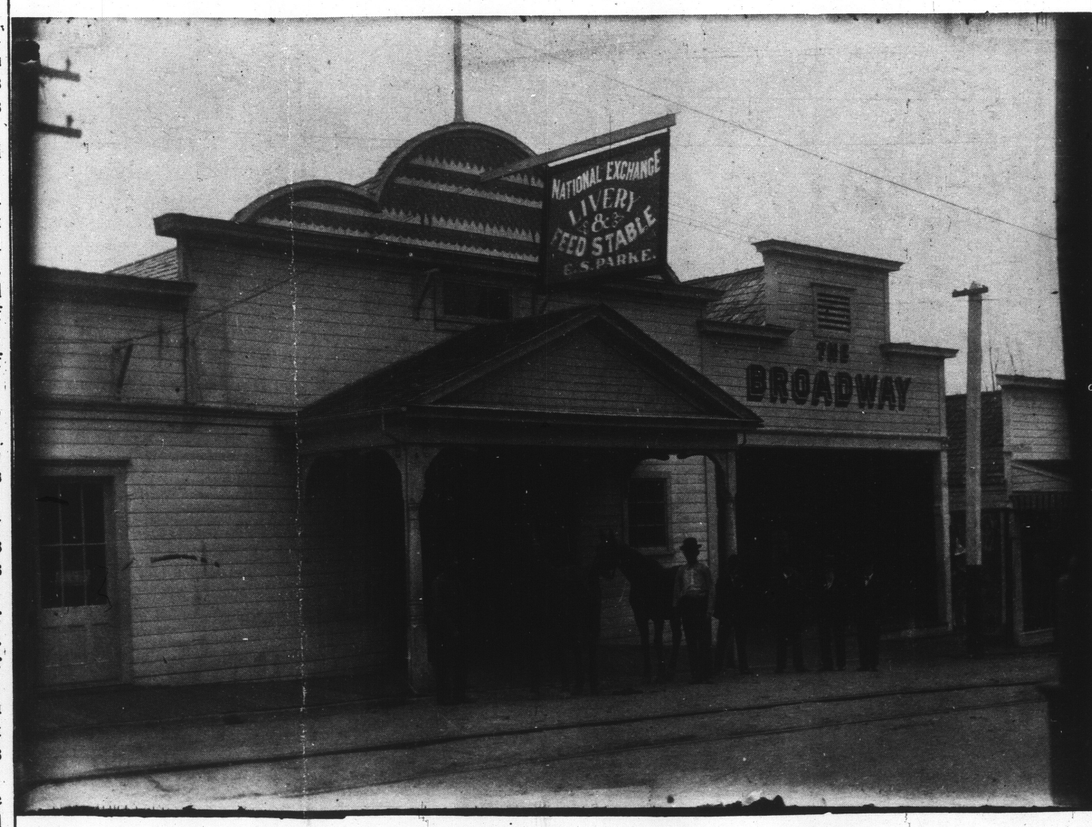
All citizens interested in
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the Nevada Union Senior High School,
Monday, Jan. 11, 1960 at 8:00 P. M.

Subject...

RECALL OF BOARD MEMBERS
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THE PAST IN PICTURES



From The Doyle Thomas Collection

The Alpha Hardware Store of Nevada City now stands on the site of these former establishment, of the early years of the century---the National Exchange (Hotel) Stable and The Broadway, a motion picture palace. Note streetcar tracks in foreground. (One of a series which only subscribers to The Citizen will see regularly).

S.F. Mart Will Host Buyers

Thousands of home goods buyers and retailers from all parts of the West will converge on the Western Merchandise Mart here Sunday, Jan. 24, for the annual Winter Market, which will continue through Friday, Jan. 29.

This year the San Francisco Winter Market returns to the traditional market pattern, following on the heels of the Los Angeles market.

With continued spectacular growth of Northern California and the Pacific Northwest, representing 55 per cent of the Pacific Coast population, a new high in attendance for the Winter Market was predicted by Henry A. Adams, general manager.

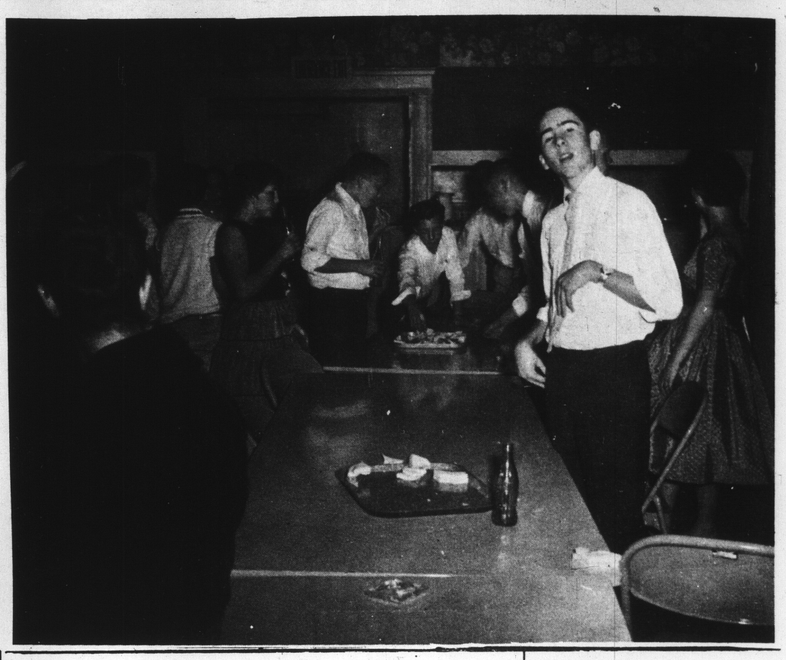
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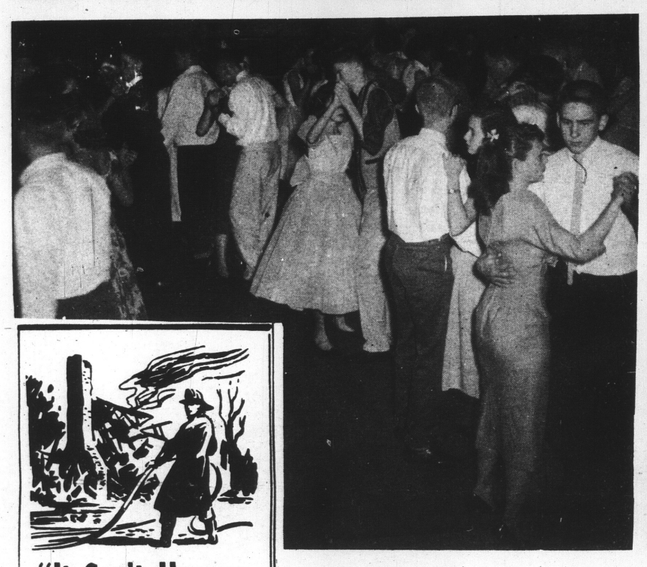
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IT'S A HOLIDAY...and a party, too, for the Nevada Junior High School and Nevada City Elementary 7th and 8th graders. Sponsored by the Nevada City Elks Lodge, the youngsters enjoyed the dancing, devoured the food and agreed "the ball was a blast."

Buyers To Attend Merchandise Display

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gists, town planners, engineers and others.

Details of the program and application for enrollment are available from Seymour M. Farber, M.D., Department of Continuing Education in Medicine and Health Sciences, University of California Medical Center, San Francisco 22.

Thompson Is Master Of Lodge

N. F. Thompson, plumbing contractor, became master of Grass Valley Madison Lodge No. 23, Free and Accepted Masons at the 109th annual installation of officers in the Masonic Temple Saturday night.

District Inspector Edward Farley installed with Past Master Joe T. Moran as master of ceremonies. William Brooks, retired farm adviser, was the 1959 master of the lodge.

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Nygard Heads Gold Quartz Democratic Club

Ed Nygard of Grass Valley was elected president of the Gold Quartz Democratic Club recently at the club's annual organizational meeting and pot luck supper, at the Alta Hill Fire House. Other election-year officers will be Roy Warren, vice-president, and Florence Jones secretary.

Outgoing president Walter Butz thanked the group for its support in the past year, as did outgoing secretary Mrs Helen Blais. Both, in turn, received a vote of thanks.

Nygard declared his intention of increasing club membership, which now numbers about 60, in preparation for the Presidential election year.

Boston Common was set aside in 1638 as a "cattel grazing grounds."

S.F. To Host 20,000 Dentists

San Francisco will host an estimated 20,000 delegates to the 1964 convention of the American Dental Assn., Walter G. Swanson, general manager of the Convention and Visitors Bureau, announced this week.

The great professional association last convened here in 1955 when a record attendance of more than 14,000 was reported.

Founded in 1899, Tanforan Race Track at San Bruno is the State's oldest race course.

Air Topic At Meet

"Man and His Environment: the Air He Breathes" will be the topic of a three-day conference in San Francisco under auspices of the University of California School of Medicine and U. C. Extension, Jan. 16-18.

The conference is expected to emphasize a multi-disciplinary approach to the problems of man in his environment, University officials said. The meeting is designed for physicians, pathologists, physiologists, ecolo-

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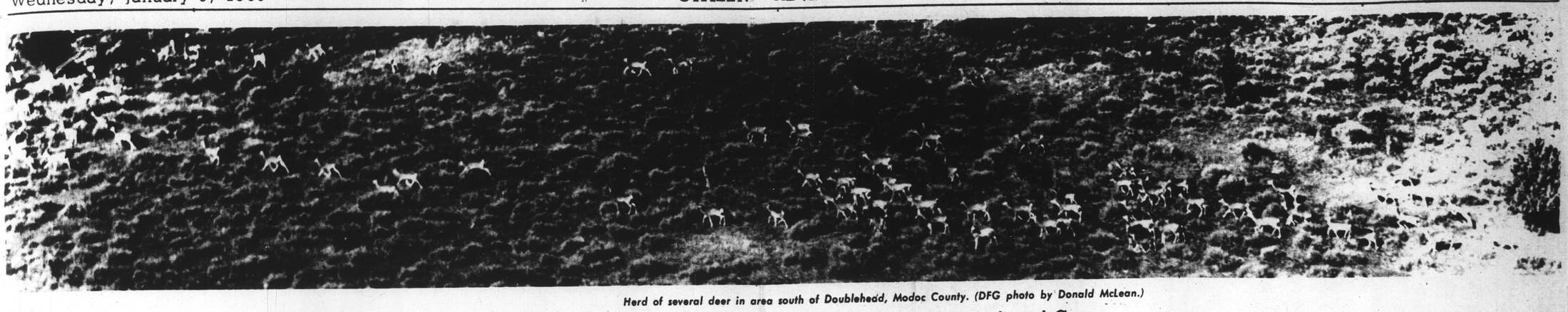
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NEVADA CITY....newsboys of The Citizen are pictured above. (Left to right) front row: Larry Lewis, James Abrahamson, John Steger and George Steger. Back row: Terry Lewis, Ed Schrick, Tony Schrick and Jim Knuttson. Not pictured are Stephen Lawrence, David Jones and Rusty Bower.





Herd of several deer in area south of Doublehead, Modoc County. (DFG photo by Donald McLean.)

Photo and Story---Department of Fish and Game

HERD COUNTS TELL US:

What Is Happening to the Deer

By Richard Davidson
Game Management Supervisor
Region 5, Los Angeles

Counting deer to find a total population figure is almost like standing on the edge of a forest and estimating the number of trees in the forest.

The major concern in understanding or managing a forest should be what happens to the forest under the influence of man. We know that if man leaves the forest completely alone, nature will take whatever course she sees fit. We know that if man denudes forested areas, many problems may arise. We know that under proper timber management we will have not only a crop, but continued protection of the resource.

Deer management should not be concerned with how many individual deer we have but *what is happening to the deer herd.*

Under complete protection, a deer herd exists in relation to the limitations placed upon it by the environment. Environmental conditions in any area are in a continual state of change. Total deer numbers and physical well being of the deer fluctuate, even in an inviolate refuge, depending on environmental changes.

When man enters the environmental picture through the harvest of deer, it is quite important that we understand what is happening to the deer herd. With this understanding, it becomes relatively unimportant how many individual deer are in a particular deer herd.

Some of the factors that help us understand what is happening to a deer herd under harvest are:

Tags Determine Total Kill

Total kill figures in the State of California are arrived at through tags returned by successful hunters. The total kill figure is conservative because not all tags are returned by the hunters and the cripple kill is not reported.

Total deer kill figures are reported by county and the records date back to 1927.

Spot Kill Maps Show Key Areas

Spot kill maps may show us key deer areas. It is felt that the hunters will generally be hunting in the areas where deer may be found, and that the more deer available, the more deer will be killed.

Spot kill maps, in addition to showing us the key deer areas, may also show us changes in herd locations from year to year during the hunting season. By spotting the kill by week of kill we may also see a pattern of movement of deer during the hunting season.

Use of the spot kill maps can be quite valuable in setting up zones and quotas for antlerless hunts. Higher antlerless quotas could be allocated for those areas showing high buck kill, and lower quotas for those areas showing lower buck kill.

A standard procedure has been set up for setting antlerless permit quotas where antlerless hunts are approved in California. This is to match the antlerless quotas with the buck kill average for the past three years. Quotas may be set in this manner and counties may be zoned if necessary, following the pattern of our spot kill maps.

This method of setting antlerless quotas is considered to be quite safe, as we feel that of the total kill at least 40 percent could be antlerless, year after year, without damage to the herd. We could expect appreciably less than 50 percent antlerless kill out of the total kill through matching the antlerless quota against the three-year average buck kill, because not all hunters will show up, and not all hunters who do show up will be successful. This is demonstrated by the following examples of the deer bagged in 1958 deer hunts as compared to the number of permits authorized:

Deer hunt	Permit quota	Deer bagged	Percent of quota
Modoc	1,760	1,057	63
Walker River	1,000	544	54
Mono Lake	500	311	62
Owens Valley	600	425	71
Fresno County	1,000	435	44
Mineral King	300	171	57
Monache	800	118	15
Los Angeles County	500	136	27
San Diego County	1,100	265	24
Camp Pendleton	245	149	60

Under this system of permit allocation, in addition to the control of the number of antlerless deer killed in an area, there would be control over the number of antlerless deer hunters on an area basis.

In areas of low buck kill or low antlerless success, experience may show that the antlerless quota can be increased safely over the basic three-year average buck kill figure.

Herd Composition Counts

Herd composition counts are expressed as the number of bucks to 100 does, and also the number of fawns to 100 does. Both can be quite informative. These counts are taken twice a year. The first is made during the rut when the deer first come on the winter range. The second is made in later winter or early spring after most of the cold weather and food shortages are over.

Fawn-to-doe ratios show us the production and survival of fawns under different conditions, and thereby provide a useful measure of changes in conditions. Fawn-to-doe ratios taken throughout the State generally show lower numbers of fawns entering the winter period and surviving the winter period than is desirable. Does are capable of producing twins and even triplets. Our deer management program is aimed at correcting the situation where postwinter counts may run as low as 30 fawns to 100 does or lower.

In areas that have never been hunted, the highest buck to doe ratio that we know of is 75 bucks to 100 does. This is rather startling because at birth male fawns outnumber female fawns about 110 to 100. In areas of California that are quite brushy and offer considerable escape cover, buck to doe ratios average about 35 bucks to 100 does after the hunting season, even though these areas receive considerable hunting pressure. In other areas in California where the deer are more vulnerable to the hunter, such as the range east of the Sierra Nevada, after the hunting season there are still about 15 bucks remaining per 100 does. Knowledge of buck to doe ratios can give us some idea of the level of harvest if we have knowledge of the type of area in which the deer are hunted.

Age Structure of Kill

The age structure of the deer kill is probably the most important single factor that tells us what is happening to a deer herd.

Reliable age samples of the kill can give some measure of the effects of hunting pressure. A herd that has not been hunted for a period of years would have more older age animals than a herd that has been regularly hunted. Areas where deer are quite vulnerable may show that the great majority of the bucks in the kill are under four years old. By contrast, samples taken from antlerless deer hunts show anywhere from 30 percent on up as four years or older.

The following table shows comparative age structures under different levels of harvest:

Age Group	Bucks: Continuous pressure *	Protected 4 years †	Antlerless hunt ‡
Fawn	0%	0%	15%
1	15	0	12
2	49	12	21
3	24	20	13
4	6	24	14
5	1	20	15
6+	5	22	10

* Sawmill-Liebre Mountain, Los Angeles County, 1956.
† San Bernardino Mountain, fire closure area, 1957. The area was open to hunting in 1952 and 1957.
‡ Carson River antlerless hunt, Alpine County, 1955.

Aging the deer will give the breeding success of previous years; future predictions of what will be available for hunting; and the size and development of the antlers for a certain age class will indicate the current forage conditions.

Let us just make a theoretical example of how this aging could be used. A sample of the kill was made on herd A and it showed 45 percent yearlings, 5 percent two-year-olds, 30 percent three-year-olds, 15 percent four-year-olds, and 5 percent all older age classes. This is what this shows the game manager:

1. At least 50 percent of the deer have survived at least one deer season indicating that the deer are not too vulnerable, the hunting preserve not too great, and the conditions to fully harvest the available crop are not the best, for many deer are escaping.

2. The low take of two-year-olds would indicate a failure of the fawn crop, two years before or high subsequent mortality. It could be expected that in following years this year class will show up very poorly and will not add materially to the kill.

3. The large percentage of yearlings in the kill means that an excellent fawn crop of a year before had an excellent survival. Forage conditions would have been good to have so many yearlings become legal bucks. This age class will show up well as two-year-olds next year and three-year-olds the following year.

4. The relatively high percentage of older deer (20 percent four-year-olds and older) would indicate that this area might be favorable to a hunter looking for a trophy.

5. All the above factors would be important considerations in setting seasons and bag limits.

When deer hunting includes the harvesting of both sexes the aging of a sample of the kill will be still more important for good management. So, hunters, when the game manager asks you for the permission to remove that deer jaw, for later examination, and you give him the O.K.—you are helping the Department of Fish and Game to do a better job in the management of your deer herds.

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NEW RESTAURANT....held its grand opening Friday. Lindley's Red Wagon, off the Grass Valley-Auburn highway at "Higgin's Diggins", is on Combie road. The dinner house is open Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 9 p.m. It features home baked bread and pies and home made jam.

S.F. Library Gets Rare Darwin Book

A first edition of Darwin's "On the Origin of the Species" is now on the shelves of the new Mailliard Library of the California Academy of Sciences.

Originally published on Nov. 24, 1859, the first printing of this scientific milestone, 1250 copies in all, was sold out on the first day of appearance.

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Zerbright Mine Sold To Scouts

The Zerbright Mines properties 23 miles east of Nevada City on the bank of the Bear River have been purchased by the Butte Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, for a year around camp.

The purchase of the property was announced by K. D. Beatie, Marysville, Yuba County, businessman and chairman of the camping committee for the council, which serves more than 2,000 Boy Scouts in Yuba, Sutter, Colusa and southern Butte Counties.

"The new Verdes Mining Company, a subsidiary of the Newmont Mining Corporation, made us a remarkable offer which we have accepted," Beatie said. He did not disclose the price.

The camp committeeman said the 13 acres of timbered land, a 60 room lodge, shops and other facilities on the property could not be replaced for $250,000.

The Bear River shoreline of 1,100 feet is adaptable for the construction of swimming facilities. The property is at the 4,000 foot elevation.

The deal with the Scout camping committee was made with John R. C. Mann, local manager of the mining company. Details were handled by Leonard Carey of Grass Valley, representative of a Sacramento real estate firm.

The camp is at the end of a private road only three miles from Highway 20. The council will keep its present summer camp at Sterling Lake, north of Cisco Grove, Placer County.

The new facility is expected to be ready for use within one year.

Slightly more than 53 per cent of all the commercial forest land in California is government controlled.

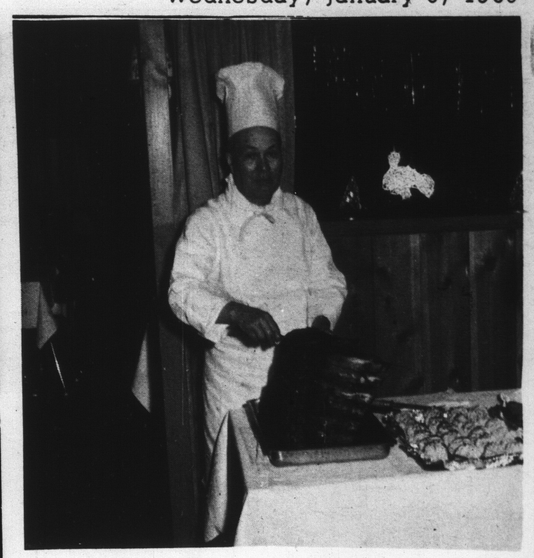
The California tomato industry accounts for one-third of all tomatoes on fresh markets in the nation.

The United States is the only country in the world with an annual consumption of shoes in excess of three pairs per capita.









HOSPITAL ANNIVERSARY...party during the Christmas holiday found members of the staff, board members, and friends of Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital gathered at the Gold Center Club to celebrate its first year of operation. One photo shows board members around a birthday cake donated by the Smiths. Left to right are Elza Kilroy, Lou Huelsdonk, Al Casey, board secretary Mrs. Florence Stark, Phillip Personeni and John Looser. Another shot shows Mrs. Willard Smith presenting one of two prizes given to Mrs. Norma (Fred) Lewis. Another prize was won by the mother of Dr. Harry Parson, Weimer. The party, with reservations for more than 80, was swelled to over 100 when shifchange time came at the hospital late in the evening.



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Western Pine Booklet Available

An illustrated leaflet describing the ten woods which comprise the Western pine region has been released for general distribution.

It was prepared by the Western Pine Association in response to many requests for this information. It describes the characteristics of each of the species: ponderosa, sugar, lodgepole and Idaho white pines; Douglas fir, incenses cedar, inland red cedar, Englemann spruce, larch and white fir.

A copy of the leaflet is available without charge from Regional News Service, 251 Kearny Street, San Francisco 8.

Maine has more than 16 million acres of forest land.

State's Sugar Beet Harvest Sets Record

The overall average yield for California's 31 sugar beet producing counties was 23.5 tons per acre, it was reported here this week, highest since the United States beet sugar industry was established at Alvarado on San Francisco Bay 80 years ago.

As a result of the heavy tonnage and good sucrose content of this year's crop, production for 1959 is estimated at 1,417,400,000 pounds, more than 200,000,000 pounds greater than the previous record high established in 1954.

Contributing to the bumper California crop were excellent weather conditions, improved cultural practices and the use of the long-awaited hybrid seeds, available for the first time on a commercial basis.

There are 275 wineries in California.

The first annual convention of the American Legion was held in Minneapoli in November, 1919.

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NOTICE
To Dog Owners
Dog liscences for 1960 were due and payable for the year Jan. 1, 1960, and become delinquent March 1, 1960.
Signed
City Clerk
Sam Hooper
Nevada City

Broadway
BEAUTY SHOP
308 BROAD STREET
Phone
Nevada City 376



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